

Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: Surgical Microscope, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119, of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

| <u>Prior Foreign Application(s)</u> |   |                             | <u>Priority Claimed</u> |             |
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| (Number)                            | (Country)                                   | Date Filed                  | Yes                     | No          |
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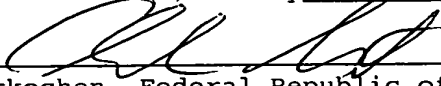
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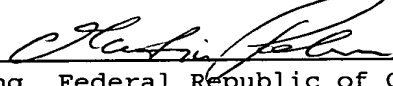
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